

Greetings ladies and gentlemen,

Below is the Combat Center Speed call for February 25, 2022. Of note, if departments do not provide updates to the Communication Strategy and Operations Office or confirm that their information is correct by 1300 on Friday, the following message will be displayed in their respective section: "There are no announcements for this section of the Speed call at this time." This is in effort to mitigate misinformation.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ROBERT E. BUSH NAVAL HOSPITAL VACCINE INFORMATION UPDATE:

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The pediatric Pfizer vaccine for ages 5-11 and the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines and boosters will continue to be available. The CDC updated booster timelines for Pfizer and Moderna and now the Pfizer or Moderna booster can be received five months after completion of the Pfizer or Moderna primary series.

JOHNSON VALLEY SHARED USE AREA CLOSURE CHANGES; ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW TRAINING DATES The Marine Corps will not conduct training activities in the Johnson Valley Shared Use Area during the previously scheduled period of October 18 through November 1, 2022. In order to support maximum public use of the Johnson Valley Shared Use Area, it will remain open for public use during this time.

New closure dates for 2023 have been established and are listed below.

The Johnson Valley Shared Use Area will temporarily close to the public for the following periods in 2022 and 2023:

- April 26 - May 9, 2022
- February 17 - 27, 2023
- August 25 - September 4, 2023

For additional information and updates, including a map of the area depicting Combat Center and Shared Use Area boundaries, please visit: <http://www.29palms.marines.mil/johnsonvalley/>.

Questions or inquiries may be directed to the Resource Management Group by emailing the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat at: SMBPLMSJOHNSONVALLEY@usmc.mil.

UPDATED MASK MANDATE

Due to your continued diligence in COVID precautions, we experienced nearly no new cases on base leading up to the holiday season. This allowed us to relax the requirement to wear a mask in gyms. In addition, we optimistically submitted a waiver request to higher headquarters seeking to unmask altogether. Unfortunately, after the New Year's 96, the emergent Omicron variant has resulted in a drastic increase in positive cases, and we expect this to continue for the foreseeable future. For now, it is necessary to reinstate the mask requirement at the gyms. However, we will maintain the current gym hours.

The situation will continue to be monitored closely, and with your help we look forward to a reduction in positive cases. Once on the downward trend, we will again reassess our masking posture. The top priority is to protect the force; and the actions of everyone remain critical to enable us to effectively counter the COVID threat. Thank you for your continued efforts in preventing the spread and staying healthy.

UPCOMING CHANGES TO THE ACUTE RESPIRATORY CLINIC (ARC)

In a continual effort to improve your experience and access to your medical team, we are pleased to announce that, starting December 6th, patients with respiratory symptoms will again be cared for within their primary healthcare team at either Naval Hospital Twentynine Palms (NHTP) Primary Care Medical Home, The Adult Medical Care Clinic (AMCC) or the Marine Corps Medical Home (MCMH). To support these changes, your respective care team will be offering COVID19 testing, nurse evaluations, clinical pharmacy consultation, and/or the ability to see a provider if desired. For patients enrolled at NHTP, please call (760) 830-2752 to speak with a nurse about your care options. For patients enrolled at AMCC, please call (760) 830-2621. For patients enrolled at MCMH, please call (760) 830-2270.

We will continue to follow strict infection control procedures as directed by the CDC and in compliance with OSHA to protect our patients and staff.

COVID-19 Vaccinations

Due to the recent increase in COVID-19 positive cases on both the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center and in the surrounding community, the Commanding General has directed a change in HPCON status to HPCON B. The implementation of additional personal protection measures in the form of the requirement to wear a facemask regardless of vaccination status is now in effect. This directive includes all persons when inside buildings/facilities located on the installation. Exceptions to this directive are installation housing, personal quarters in the barracks, brief periods of time when eating or drinking, and when alone in an office with the door closed. Facemasks shall be worn outdoors when social distancing cannot be maintained, such as formations or other general gatherings.

Our COVID response procedures will continue to evolve as we posture the installation to respond to changes in the COVID environment while ensuring continued support to our tenant commands. Additional information, including where to get a vaccine and guidance regarding installation services, may be found at our Combat Center COVID-19 media site at <https://www.29palms.marines.mil/COVID-19/>. The Combat Center will continue to provide COVID-19 information updates and make every effort to keep our Marines, Sailors, Soldiers, civilian employees, contractors, and family members informed of current risks.

The Robert E. Bush Naval Hospital is now offering a 3rd dose of the Moderna vaccine to eligible individuals with moderately to severely weakened immune systems. If you meet the criteria outlined by the CDC, it is recommended that you get a 3rd dose of an mRNA (Pfizer or Moderna) vaccine at least 28 days after your 2nd dose of an mRNA vaccine.

Who Needs an Additional Dose of the Moderna or Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine?

Currently, CDC is recommending that moderately to severely immunocompromised people receive an additional dose. This includes people who have:

- * Been receiving chemotherapy for active cancer treatment for tumors or cancers of the blood
- * Received an organ transplant and are taking medicine to suppress the immune system

- * Received a stem cell transplant within the last 2 years or are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
- * Moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency (such as DiGeorge syndrome, Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome)
- * Advanced or untreated HIV infection
- * Active continuous treatment with high-dose corticosteroids or other drugs that may suppress your immune response such as immunosuppressive medications used in the treatment of Crohn's Disease, Ulcerative Colitis, or Rheumatoid Arthritis.

Talk to your clinical care team and specialist about the need to get an additional dose of COVID-19 vaccine and the best timing of a 3rd dose based on your current treatment plan. This is especially important if you are about to start or restart immunosuppressive treatment. To reach your clinical care team at the Naval Hospital, please call (760) 830-2752.

For those eligible beneficiaries with one of the above listed immunocompromising conditions, additional doses of the Moderna vaccine are available in Clinic D of the main hospital. You may schedule an appointment using the DHA appointing portal: <https://informatics-stage.health.mil/COVAX/> or by calling 760-830-2698. Walk-ins are welcome Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

For those immunocompromised individuals who have received an initial two doses of Pfizer, please use <https://www.vaccines.gov/> to find the nearest civilian pharmacy or location to receive an additional dose of the Pfizer vaccine.

Currently, the CDC does not recommend additional doses of the Johnson and Johnson vaccine for immunocompromised individuals who received an initial dose of the Johnson and Johnson vaccine. The CDC also does not currently recommend additional doses of the vaccine for other chronic conditions such as high blood pressure, obesity, or diabetes.

For more information regarding the CDC recommendation for additional doses in immunocompromised individuals, please visit:

CDC Information Page: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/recommendations/immuno.html>

Moderna Fact Sheet: <https://www.fda.gov/media/144638/download>

Pfizer Fact Sheet: <https://www.fda.gov/media/144414/download>

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1. AC/S MAGTF TRAINING

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2. AC/S RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

UPCOMING ELECTION FOR FEDERAL OFFICE IN THE NEXT 90 DAYS. 1 March 2022: Texas Primary Election

COVID-19 Election Update - FVAP is working closely with state election offices, the Military Postal Service Agency and other federal agencies to bring you up-to-date information on possible mailing delays. Please visit FVAP.gov/COVID-19 [<https://www.fvap.gov/covid-19>] for the latest information on any international postal disruptions or contact your installation military post office.

Register and request your ballot by your state's deadline. You can use FVAP's easy online assistant at www.fvap.gov/FPCA [<http://www.fvap.gov/FPCA>] to walk you through each section of the form. After you finish filling out the FPCA, print it, sign it, and send it to your election office. Most states accept the FPCA by email or fax while some require it by mail. Check your state-specific guidelines at FVAP.gov.

Once you receive your requested absentee ballot, vote and return it as soon as you get it. Remember to carefully follow the instructions, especially if a "security envelope" is required, and sign the package as indicated when returning it. To save time, send voted ballots electronically if allowed by state law. Voters can check if their state accepts completed absentee ballots by email, fax, or via an online portal at FVAP.gov/guide [<https://www.fvap.gov/guide>]. If a requested ballot has not arrived, use the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB) immediately at www.fvap.gov/FWAB. It works like a backup ballot. If your official absentee ballot arrives after sending in the FWAB, complete and send in the official ballot too. Only one will be counted. To make sure the voted ballot is received by your state. Go to FVAP.gov, click on your state and then the "check the status of your voted ballot" button.

To find your state's election website for specific information on candidates, elections, contact information, and links to your local election offices, visit our contact [<https://www.fvap.gov/info/contact>]. You can also reach out directly to your election office for status updates on your registration and absentee ballot. The Department of Defense is required to send this email notification starting 90 days before each election for federal office. This information is current as of 29 November 2021. As updates may occur, please check the election calendars and state guidelines at FVAP.gov for real time information. If you would like more information on the FVAP, or need help with the absentee voting process, please go to FVAP.gov, call 703-588-1584 (toll free 1-800-438-VOTE or DSN 425-1584), or email (vote@fvap.gov). The Twentynine Palms Installation Voting Assistance Office is located in Building 1459, Center Personnel Office, or call (760) 830-1800 for voting assistance.

3. AC/S INSTALLATION SUPPORT

MILITARY HOUSING Fiscal Year 2022 Marine Corps Bachelor Billeting Tenant Satisfaction Survey

Marines and Sailors living in the barracks are encouraged to take a quick 10 minute survey beginning Tuesday, 18 January 2022.

Marines' and Sailors' opinions matter. The survey will help the Marine Corps improve the barracks. Surveys are anonymous and administered by a third-party contractor, Robert D. Niehaus, Inc.

Please visit <https://tss.rdniehaus.com/unaccompanied> to take the survey.

- MISSION ASSURANCE

I need the police!

Who do I call?

The 911 emergency and non-emergency police response phone numbers differ based upon where you live. In a crisis, the last thing you need is confusion over whom you're supposed to call to get the immediate help you need.

I live in on-base Liberty Military Housing

Emergency: 911 Non-emergency: 760-830-3333

- Adobe Flats
- Copper Canyon
- Desert View Terrace
- Joshua Heights
- Marine Palms
- Ocotillo Heights
- Shadow Mountain
- Sunflower Terrace

I live in off-base Liberty Military Housing; Vista Del Sol District

Emergency: 911 Non-emergency: 760-366-4175

- Aztec
- Two Mile
- Joe Davis

For additional information please read the attached "Vista Del Sol Housing Bulletin".

I live in an off-base residence, unaffiliated with Liberty Military Housing

Emergency: 911 Non-emergency: 760-366-4175

Cities of Twentynine Palms, Joshua Tree, Yucca Valley, and beyond.

Law enforcement response will dispatch from MCAGCC Provost Marshal's Office for all housing on the Installation. For those who live off-base in either Liberty Military Housing or another

private off-base residence, the law enforcement response will dispatch from San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department (SBCSD).

Delays occur when Marines and families living off-base call for help and state they live in "military housing" or "base housing." The call may be transferred erroneously to the Provost Marshal's Office due to miscommunication, which will delay response until correctly transferred back to SBCSD.

In addition, to the Speed Call notice, the attached flyer will be posted in LMH Bulletin Boards, and provided to Deployment Readiness Coordinators (DRC) and Unit Readiness Coordinators (URC). DRCs and URCs will disseminate this information to all-hands and maximize distribution to family members.

For additional questions or concerns regarding the bulletin, please contact MCAGCC PMO Desk Sergeant 24 hours a day at 760-830-6800.

The Provost Marshal's Office and Safety Office: strongly encourages proper wear of personal protective equipment (PPE) when utilizing recreational gear such as scooters, bicycles, and skateboards. This applies for all adults and children! Failure to wear such PPE could result in injuries or repercussions. Please see attached article for publication on unit billboards and local housing community centers. Have Fun and Ride Safe!

OCOTILLO & CONDOR GATE HOURS: In order to best serve the needs of the community of MCAGCC, both the Condor Gate and Ocotillo Gate hours will be extending to midnight daily, beginning Saturday, 01 January 2022. Hours at both Condor Gate and Ocotillo Gate will be: 0500 to 2400, 7 days a week. The trial period will last from January to March at which time, the decision will be made whether or not to extend either of the Side Gate hours of operation.

- CENTER SAFETY

Supervisor and CDSO Training: Per the MCO 5100.29C, Supervisors, and CDSO's must be trained in the performance of their duties. Center Safety is currently providing training on a monthly basis. All classes are conducted in Bldg. 1523N and will start at 0730 sharp.

Those attending the CDSO training must have a copy of their appointment letter at the beginning of class. Please contact Mr. Yeager at 830-7262 or email at warrick.yeager@usmc.mil or Mr. Rios at 830-8467 or angel.rios@usmc.mil. Classes will not be scheduled more than one month out secondary to high no show rates.

****Center Safety will be conducting CDSO Quarterly meetings for those that are appointed as CDSO's. Please contact Ms. Thomas exyminue.thomas@usmc.mil (951) 570-1406 or Mr. Yeager warrick.yeager@usmc.mil for more information**

OSH Safety Program Managers contact information:

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- Wendy Chavez (wendy.chavez@usmc.mil)
- Angel Rios (angel.rios@usmc.mil)
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- Warrick Yeager (warrick.yeager@usmc.mil)
- Keith Preston (keith.preston@usmc.mil)
- Exyminue Thomas (exyminue.thomas@usmc.mil)
- Dan Mulvihill (daniel.mulvihill@usmc.mil)

Respiratory Protection Program: Per the MCO 5100.29C (29 CFR 1910.134), All employees assigned/required to the wear a respirator due to being on the Respiratory Protection program or work in a Confined Space must be fit tested and trained in the performance of their duties. Safety is currently providing training and fit testing on an appointment basis. All fit test and training will be conducted in Bldg. 1523 N. Please contact Mr. Rios at 830-8467 or Angel.rios@usmc.mil

- **PUBLIC WORKS**

PWD will be conducting a **High Temperature Hot Water (HTHW)** outage from **05MAR through 11MAR** on three loops that service buildings between 1st and 9th Street. **Loss of hot water and building heat** for 138 facilities including loss of steam for Littleton and Phelps dining facilities and multiple barracks.

This outage is required to perform modifications to heat exchanger piping systems at Cogeneration Power Plant (COGEN) 1 and for recurring maintenance on pumps that

service both the boilers and the COGEN plant. Work will be done concurrently to minimize impacts, but will still require a five-day HTHW system outage on loops 1-3. During these dates building heating and domestic hot water (showers, sinks) will be offline for facilities listed and depicted in the attachment. Unfortunately, 43 of the impacted facilities are berthing so the most significant impact will be loss of hot showers.

Coordination with MCCA has identified the following locations with hot shower spaces available.

West Gym (Building 1518)

Wilburn Gym (Building 1533)

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact the Assistant Public Works Officer at (760) 830-6562 or alfred.odierno@usmc.mil. Thank you for your support in helping us execute this project; we apologize for the inconvenience.

UNPLANNED HIGH TEMPERATURE HOT WATER OUTAGE: 25 MAR 22

High-temperature hot-water (HTHW) loops across the installation experienced a loss in temperature last night and this morning. Buildings listed below may experience a loss of building heat and domestic hot water over the course of the day. Other facilities on main side that experienced loss of hot and hot water today should be regaining temperature shortly. PWD has isolated key facilities to reduce the loss to the 1870 BEQs and Dunham Dining Facility. We anticipate all facilities other than the [prior] 1st Tanks ramp to be restored to normal operating conditions by COB. NOTE this is unrelated to the HTHW outage planned for the 5th of March. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact the Assistant Public Works Officer at (760) 830-6562 or alfred.odierno@usmc.mil. Thank you for your support in helping us execute this project; we apologize for the inconvenience.

BLDG	NAME	UNIT/ORG
1865	MCCA HEADQUARTERS	MCCA
1954	FSSG STORAGE	CLB-7 / CLB-13
1974	MWSS ORG MAINT SHOP	MWSS-374
1978	WAREHOUSE	MWSS-374
1980	AUTO ORGANIZATIONAL SHOP	CLB-7
1981	BASE COMMUNICATIONS	COMM DATA
1986	TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUILDING	COMM DATA

2000 MAINTENANCE SHOP CLD-7/CLC-13
 2020 VEH MAINTENANCE SHOP ESD
 2025 EEAP VEH MAINTENANCE ESD
 2026 ARMORY CLB-7/MWSS
 2036 EEAP VEH MAINTENANCE ESD
 2037 ARMORY CLB-7/MWSS
 2041 CLB-7 TRUCK CO PWD
 2044 VEH MAINT, ESD ESD
 2054 EXERCISE SUPPORT DIVISION ESD
 2061 COMBAT VEHICLE SHOP - ESD ESD
 2063 500 YD LINE HEAD RR MTD
 2064 HEAD FACILITY MTD
 2066 MAINTENANCE SHOP-WHEELED 1ST TANKS
 2067 AUTO ORGANIZATION SHOP TRACKED 1ST TANKS

- **MCCS**

COMMAND FINANCIAL SPECIALIST TRAINING, 7-11 MARCH Command Financial Specialist (CFS) training will take place 7-11 March, 0800-1600 each day, at the Career Resource Office (Bldg 1526). This 40-hour course is designed to train Marines and Sailors on becoming their unit's principal source for financial education. Eligible individuals must be appointed by their Commanding Officer and must be E6 and above or Officers who are financially stable and have a minimum of one year remaining with the Command. In accordance with MCO 1700.37, a command should have one CFS for every 75 Marines or Sailors. For more information or to reserve a seat in the class, please contact Ms. Kathleen Bourikas at 830-4032 or email at kathleen.bourikas@usmc.mil.

- **ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS**

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- **CENTER LOGISTICS DIVISION**

Distribution Management Office (DMO) - Passenger Travel Office (PTO)

Travel to Japan - UPDATED 8-JAN-2022 - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Official and leave travel to Japan will be considered on a case-by-case basis, consideration for this and exception to travel lies with the first O-6 or higher in the traveler's chain of command. ***All travelers inbound to Japan, 2 years and older (REGARDLESS of Vaccination Status), MUST receive a negative viral test (PCR or Antigen) within 3 days of departure from SEA.,*** with the following exceptions:

- 1) SOFA status travelers who have fully recovered from a laboratory-confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19 infection within the previous 90 days.
- 2) SOFA members unable to receive a COVID-19 test within 3 days of their travel. (Requires an ETP from the first O-6 or higher in their chain of command)

For your test, time zones must be taken into account. SeaTac is in the Pacific Standard Time zone.

PLEASE NOTE – Failure to comply with the above guidance will result in denial of travel to Japan.

If you are traveling to Japan and have questions or concerns, please contact the PTO at 760-830-6744/6760.

4. AC/S COMMUNICATIONS

1st Network Battalion Western Region Enterprise Advisory 065/2021 MCEN-N/S Upgrade of Microsoft Windows 10 (20H2)

1. Purpose: To notify 1st Network Battalion AOR of required Windows 10 upgrade to 20H2 (MCEDS Version 1.0.8.0) on both Non-Secure Internet Protocol Router Network (NIPRNET) and Secure Internet Protocol Router Network (SIPRNET).

2. Background: Subject Windows 10 upgrade packages via Local Area Network (LAN) and Virtual Private Network (VPN) are now available via Software Center.

3. Impact: Windows 10 End User Devices (EUD's) must be upgraded to the latest version.

4. Coordinating Instructions: As with any operating system upgrade, it is advised that local files be backed up to alternate sources (OneDrive, external drive, etc.) prior to installation.

- Users are advised to upgrade at their earliest opportunity. End user devices not upgraded by 21 January 2022 will be automatically upgraded.

- The following methods are available for compliance with this advisory:

O NIPRNET InPlace Upgrade (IPU): LAN/VPN users initiate upgrade via Software Center > Operating Systems > "MCEDS InPlace Upgrade 20H2"

O SIPRNET InPlace Upgrade (IPU): Users initiate upgrade via Software Center > Operating Systems > "Marine Corps Enterprise Image 1.0.8.0 - 20H2"

- Exclusions: Programs of Record (POR) operating the correct MCEDS image authorized within their Authority to Operate (ATO) and placed within the proper Organizational Unit within Active Directory.

5. Point of Contact: 1st Network Battalion Watch Officer at 1nb_watch_officer@usmc.mil or (760) 763-7989.

5. GOVERNMENT AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

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6. INSPECTOR GENERAL

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7. STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE

Due to COVID19, ALL Victims' Legal Counsel Office (VLCO) in-person potential client intakes will be conducted telephonically until further notice. If you require services, please contact: (760) 349-6252 or email jason.clader@usmc.mil

The VLCO will be out of office, teleworking until further guidance is provided to return to Bldg 1417 located on 4th Street and Brown.

Further information about the VLCO can also be located by visiting the website address: <https://www.29palms.marines.mil/Staff-Offices/Victims-Legal-Counsel-Organization/>

8. PROTOCOL

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10. ROBERT E. BUSH NAVAL HOSPITAL

WALK-IN FLU VACCINE CLINIC STARTS DEC. 1

Robert E. Bush Naval Hospital Flu Vaccine Clinic starts December 1 in Clinic C and will be open Wednesdays, from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., for TRICARE retirees and beneficiaries 6 months of age and older. Please call (760) 830-2654 for any further questions.

FLU SHOTS NOW AVAILABLE FOR ALL TRICARE BENEFICIARIES

The Robert E. Bush Naval Hospital is offering the influenza vaccine, by appointment, to all TRICARE Beneficiaries with no age restrictions.

Appointments are now available Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 7:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Immunizations Clinic (Clinic C). Please call (760) 830-2654 to schedule your flu vaccine appointment.

COVID BOOSTER VACCINE RECOMMENDED FOR EVERYONE 18 YEARS AND OLDER

Did you know the CDC recommends everyone 18 years and older should get a COVID-19 booster vaccine?

Naval Hospital Twentynine Palms is offering Moderna and Pfizer booster COVID-19 vaccines to eligible beneficiaries and DoD civilian/contractor employees ages 18 years and older in Clinic D, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

- Pfizer and Moderna boosters are approved for use six months after completing the initial series.
- Appointments can be made by using this appointing portal: <https://informatics-stage.health.mil/PalmsClinicCOVIDApp/> or by calling (760) 830-2698.
- Walk ins are welcome based on availability.
- The pediatric Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine continues to be available for ages 5 to 11-years-old for eligible Tricare beneficiaries.
- For more information on boosters from the CDC website, please visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/booster-shot.html>
- For those that received the Johnson and Johnson (J&J) COVID-19 vaccine initially, you are also eligible to receive a Pfizer or Moderna booster COVID-19 vaccine beginning two months after your initial J&J vaccine. We do not have J&J vaccine. To locate a civilian location to receive a J&J booster, please check myturn.ca.gov or vaccines.gov.

COVID-19 BOOSTER RECOMMENDED FOR 16 AND 17-YEAR-OLDS

Individuals 16 and 17 years of age who completed the Pfizer-BioNTech primary two-dose series are now eligible to receive a COVID-19 Pfizer booster vaccine 6 months after completing the initial series. The CDC Director strongly encourages eligible adolescents age 16 and 17 to get their booster to strengthen protection against Omicron and other variants.

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- Walk ins are welcome based on availability.
- Pfizer and Moderna boosters continue to be available for eligible individuals 18 years and older six months after completing the initial series.
- The pediatric Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine continues to be available for ages 5-11 years old for eligible Tricare beneficiaries.
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COVID-19 BOOSTER DOSES vaccine booster doses are now available five months after completing a Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine primary series. However, please note that the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for ages 12 years and up is only available for active-duty service members until further notice. The Moderna vaccine continues to be available to all other populations. Tricare beneficiaries seeking the Pfizer vaccine for 12 years and up should utilize <https://myturn.ca.gov/> or <https://www.vaccines.gov/> to find the nearest civilian location offering the Pfizer vaccine.

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The pediatric Pfizer vaccine for ages 5-11 and the Moderna vaccine for 18 years and older are still available.

Please call Clinic D at (760) 830-2698 for questions/concerns.

COVID-19 PFIZER VACCINE FOR AGES 12 AND UP

The Defense Health Agency (DHA) has informed all Military Treatment Facilities that, due to current Pfizer vaccine shortages in the Department of Defense, Pfizer vaccine for ages 12 years and up may only be given to active duty service members until further notice. All TRICARE beneficiaries 12 years and up who currently have Pfizer vaccines appointments or who have

already received a first dose of the Pfizer vaccine from the Robert E. Bush Naval hospital will be honored. Beneficiaries seeking the Pfizer vaccine for 12 years and up should utilize <https://myturn.ca.gov/> or <https://www.vaccines.gov/> to find the nearest civilian location offering the Pfizer vaccine. The pediatric Pfizer vaccine for ages 5-11 and the Moderna vaccine for 18 years and older are still available.

WEEKLY SPECIAL SPEEDCALL LOG

Have you filed your 2021 tax return? The MCAGCC Tax Center is NOW open through early May in Building #1428 (intersection of 4th Street and Brown Road)! Active-duty, reservists, retirees and dependents are eligible to utilize the Tax Center's services.

Visit the Tax Center Monday through Thursday from 0900-1800 or Friday 0900-1400. Walk-ins are welcome during regular business hours and after-hours appointments are available. Call (760) 830-5432 with any questions.

More information on the MCAGCC Tax Center: <https://www.29palms.marines.mil/Staff-Offices/Special-Staff/Legal-Services-Support-Team/Tax-Center/>

If you are unavailable to visit the Tax Center, TurboTax is offering free filing for enlisted personnel (active-duty and reservist qualify). More information on this service is available here: <https://turbotax.intuit.com/personal-taxes/online/military-edition.jsp>

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This outage is required to perform modifications to heat exchanger piping systems at Cogeneration Power Plant (COGEN) 1 and for recurring maintenance on pumps that service both the boilers and the COGEN plant. Work will be done concurrently to minimize impacts, but will still require a five-day HTHW system outage on loops 1-3. During these dates building heating and domestic hot water (showers, sinks) will be offline for facilities listed and depicted in the attachment. Unfortunately, 43 of the impacted facilities are berthing so the most significant impact will be loss of hot showers.

Coordination with MCCS has identified the following locations with hot shower spaces available.

West Gym (Building 1518)

Wilburn Gym (Building 1533)

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact the Assistant Public Works Officer at (760) 830-6562 or alfred.odierno@usmc.mil. Thank you for your support in helping us execute this project; we apologize for the inconvenience.

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